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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"

Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)

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10/12/2010: Roger, F5LKW/p will be active on 10-11th December 2010 from Natura 2000 - Mont Caune-Mont Faron (WFF FFF-143) and Plateau de Siou Blanc (SOTA F/AM-622, 826m, 1 point, WW Loc. JN23WF), Alpes Meridionales region, France. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [F5LKW]

10/12/2010: Francis, ON6LY will once again be active as OP4A/p from 1700 UTC 10th December until 0500 UTC 11th December 2010 from Groot Schietveld Nature Reserve (WFF ONFF-135, WW Loc. JO21GI), Brasschaat. Activity will be mostly 40 metre and 30 metre CW, PSK31 and if possible RTTY. QSL via home call. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW, eQSL and WFF LogSearch. [MM0DFV]

10/12/2010: Craig, VK4LDX will signing VK4LDX/p from Magnetic Island (IOTA OC-171) on 10-12 December 2010. This will be another little holiday style trip with his understanding XYL Michelle. QRV 80-10 metres. Further information can be found on his website at: vk4ldxoc171.blogspot.com/ [VK4LDX]

11/12/2010: Look for Adrian, 2M0ETR/p to be "VHF Smash and grab" from Beinn Domhnaill summit (SOTA SOTA GM/NS-143, 349m, 1 point, WW Loc. IO77VW), Northern Scotland (IOTA EU-005, WLOTA 1234). QRV on 145MHz FM only. QSL via home call, by the bureau.

11/12/2010: On Saturday, 11th December 2010 Matt, 2W0XTL will activate (weather dependant) Moel Famau summit (SOTA GW/NW-044, 554m, 2 points, WW Loc. IO83ID), North Wales (IOTA EU-005, WLOTA 0453). QRV 144.300MHz SSB and 70.45MHz FM (+/- 30min). He will start on 2 metres, then QSY to 4 metres. QSL via home call by the bureau.

11/12/2010: Charly, HS0ZCW/K4VUD will operate the ARRL 10 Meter Contest (December 11-12th) as E2E on CW and SSB from Bangkok, Thailand. QSL via HS0AC. [OPDX Bulletin]

11/12/2010: Saturday, 11th December 2010 marks International Mountain Day. For the second year 'Hamdxgroup' amateurs will climb their local mountain, Mount Montgo (SOTA EA5/AT-029, WW Loc. JM08BT, WFF EAFF-128) in the Alicante province of Spain. They are encouraging other amateurs to climb to the top of their nearby mountain. Weather permitting, they will be active from the summit at noon as EH5MM on 145.475MHz ? QRM as well and will be QRV on 11-12th December. See QRZ.com, under EH5MM, for more information. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW and eQSL. [GB2RS]

11/12/2010: On 11th December 2010 Gerard, F1RUK (resident) will activate the Chateau Le Martret (DFCF 71-039), located in the commune of Pouilloux (CP 71230), canton of La Guiche (DDCF 71-21), Department Saone et Loire/71 and Province Burgundy (DPF 05). Activity will be on 80 and 40 metres. QSL via the bureau. [radioamateur.org]

11/12/2010: Patrick, F8DYD/p will be active on 11 December 2010 from the Castle and Mill of Chitre (DFCF 86-077 and DMF 86-035), located in the

commune of Vouneuil sur Vienne (CP 86210), canton of Vouneuil sur Vienne (DDCF 86-31), Department Vienne/86 and Province Poitou-Charentes (DPF 19). QRV on 80 and 40 metres. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. [F8DYD]

11/12/2010: Michel, F8GGZ/p will be active on 11th December 2010 from the oil Mill of La Grande Cheminee (DMF 71-018), located in the commune of Sagy (CP 71580), canton of Beaupaire en Bresse (DDCF 71-02), Department Saone et Loire/71 and Province Burgundy (DPF 05). QRV on 80 metres about 0730 local time and switching to 40 metres about 0900-0930 local time. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [radioamateur.org]

11/12/2010: Tom KG4Z0I, Ryne KG4ZUI and Chessa KJ4IYI will be active as KG4Z0I from Roanoke Island (IOTA NA-067, USi NC013S, WLOTA 2614, Dare County), North Carolina, on 11th and 12th December 2010. QRV on, or near, 7.225 and 14.260 MHz SSB. QSL direct to KG4Z0I. [rsgbiota.org]

13/12/2010: ompton, VK2HRZ will be active as E51HRX from Rarotonga Island (IOTA OC-013) on 13-20th December 2010. QRV on 40/20/6 metres, SSB only. QSL via VK2HRX, direct (QRZ.com). [OPDX Bulletin]

14/12/2010: Gerard F2JD who is at the moment in Manilla, Philippines, as DU1/F2JD, will go, for his business, to Batan Island (IOTA OC-093, WLOTA 3122) from 14th to 19th December 2010. He will be active on 14/18/21 in CW and SSB as DU2/F2JD. Around the 26th December 2010 until 2nd January 2011 he will be in the Zambales province, Central Luzon region, (200Km NW from Manilla) with less QRM as he have into Manilla City. On 4th Januray he will traveling to Palawan to join the guys to go to Spratly and will be back around 15th Jaunary to Manilla. He will leave Manilla on 24th January 2011 to Paris, back in France. QSL via F6AJA. [F6AJA]

16/12/2010: Zorro, JH1AJT (S21Z) and other five operators (namely A51HI, DS4EOI, JJ1LIB, JP1TRJ and KL2A) will be active as S21FGC from Dhaka, Bangladesh on 16th-21st December 2010. Plans are to be QRV on 160-10 metre CW and SSB, with and emphasis on the 160, 80 and 40 metre CW. The operation has the support of Dr. Zahudul Haque Shipon, S21VA, Vice President of the Bangladesh Amateur Radio League. QSL via JH1AJT. [425 DX News]

16/12/2010: Martin, DL5RMH will be active as TG9/DL5RMH from Guatemala City between 16 December 2010 and 13 January 2011. QRV on 40-10 metre CW. Martin favors 30m. QSL via his home call, by the bureau or direct. [OPDX Bulletin]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

05/01/2011: Jacques F6HMJ will be 3B8/F6HMJ from Mauritius Island (IOTA AF-049, WLOTA 0595) between 5th January and 21st February 2011, except from 11-20th January when he will go to Rodriguez Island (IOTA AF-017, WLOTA 4265, WFF 3BFF-004) as 3B9/F6HMJ. He will be active on all bands on CW, SSB and may be RTTY. QSL via F6HMJ. [F6AJA]

27/01/2011: Mike, G4IUF will be vacationing on the island of Saba (IOTA NA-145, WLOTA 2043, WFF PAFF-025) between 27th January and 3rd March 2011. Holiday style operation using the callsign PJ6/G4IUF from a rental villa with plenty of trees and room for antennas. Mike will be using a IC-7000, with W3DZZ antenna. Aimed at QRGs CW 7 up from band edge, SSB: 3.797, 7.147, 14.157/247, 21.277, 28.477 MHz. QSL via home call. Note: Mike is an ISWL member, so if heard or worked, this operation will count for the ISWL's Monitor award. [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

23/02/2011: Jan, DL7JAN will be active from the island of Dominica (IOTA NA-101). The activity is scheduled from 23rd February to 6th March 2011. Jan will work from 40-10m (maybe 80m too!) in CW, SSB and RTTY. He will make a special effort to Asia especially to JA. He applied for the callsign J79AN. QSL is ok via his homecall DL7JAN either direct or through the bureau.

[NG3K]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

10/12/2010: Special station 8J6HAM will be activated between 10 December 2010 and 6 March 2011 for the 10th Nishinohon (or West Japan) Ham Fair. QSL via the JARL bureau for HF QSOs and QSL via JA6PL for Satellite QSOs.
[JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

10/11/2010: Special event station CE20RKV is currently active until 31st December 2010 to celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Radio Club Cavanha, Iquique, Chile. QRV on all bands, SSB and CW. QSL direct to CE1RKV (see QRZ.com).

11/12/2010: The Yorkshire Dales Contest Group (M0YCG) will be using the special event callsign, GB1YDD to celebrate Yorkshire Dales on the Air Day and World Flora and Fauna GFF-020 near Malham Tarn, Yorkshire Dales National Park, from 11th December to 12th December. Approximate times of operation will be continuous from 15:00 on Saturday through to the afternoon on Sunday. Intended bands of operation will be all 13 bands from 160m to 70cm using SSB, a little CW and FM so as to give as much opportunity as possible for different stations to work this callsign. It is hoped that we will be QRV on 4m FM, but this is yet to be confirmed. For QSL information and activation details etc, please search the GB1YDD callsign on QRZ.com.
[Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

15/12/2010: Members of the ADXB-OE (Austrian DX Board) will be celebrating their 40th anniversary by activating their club station OE1XBC from 15-31 December 2010, using the special callsign OE40ADXB. There will be a special QSL card for this special event station. QSL info is via ADXB: Austrian DX Board, P.O.Box 1000, A-1081 Vienna, Austria. [ODPX Bulletin]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

11/12 2M0ETR/P: Scotland (main island) WLOTA:1234 QSL HC (d/b)
11/12 2W0XTL/P: Wales (main island) WLOTA:0453 QSL HC (d/b)
11/12-12/12 J6BP: Sta. Lucia Island WLOTA:1336 QSL LoTW
11/12-12/12 KG4ZOI/P: Roanoke Island WLOTA:2614 QSL HC (d)
11/12-12/12 PJ2T: Curacao Island WLOTA:0942 QSL N9AG (d/LoTW)
14/12-19/12 DU2/F2JD: Batan Island WLOTA:3122 QSL F6AJA (d/b)

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COUNTY HUNTING (USA-CA) -

WY7LL/WY7ML - 12/10/2010 to 12/12/2010 - SSB Only
Making a trip from Gillette, Wyoming right up I-90 into Montana as far as Livingston Montana then north on highway 89 to Meagher county Montana. This is a special trip to complete W8DCD for his USA-CA.... depending on roads and weather and time we may take a different way home...but most likely stick to the interstate. QSL via home call. [County Hunter Web]

KB6UF - Ronald Jones - 3* - Sat 12/11/2010 to Sat 12/11/2010 - SSB and CW
1400z LA: Madison, East Carroll, West Carroll, Richland, Morehouse, Ouachita, Union, Lincoln, Beinville, Claibourne, Webster, Bossier, Caddo,

Desoto, Red River, Natchitoches, Winn, Jackson, Caldwell, Franklin, Catahoula, Tensas and Concordia. Into MS: Adams, Wilkenson. Need MD contacts as I am working on my 500 transmits. Will attempt to run all of these before the bands drop out, but if it does, will go out some other day to finish. I am in the process of running all of LA and MS section by section. 20 ph, 40 ph, 20 cw, 40 cw, 3901 if I can get it tuned for the close in guys. QSL via home call. [County Hunter Web]

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6 METRES & UP -

Brock, W6GMT/5 will again be hosting for the National Park service at Amistad National Recreation Area between 1st November 2010 and 15th April 2011. The park is located between Del Rio and Langtry, in southwest Texas, Val Verde County (Grid Loc. DL99). QRV on 6 metres, all modes including digital, running 100 watts to a 3 element yagi. Brock will be using solar power or generator as there is no power in the camp ground. QSL via home call. [N80FS]

11/12 2M0ETR/P: Beinn Domhnaill SOTA GM/NS-143 Grid:IO77VW

2m FM QSL HC (d/b)

11/12 2W0XTL/P: Moel Famau SOTA GW/NW-044 Grid:IO83ID

144.3SSB 70.45FM QSL HC (d/b)

11/12-12/12 GB1YDD: Yorkshire Dales Day EU-005 Grid:IO84WC

4m-70cm SSB/FM QSL QRZ.com

11/12-12/12 MDXA PSK-31/63 DeathMatch 6m included 11 0000z-12 2400z

11/12-15/12 BCC Meteor Scatter Contest 11 2000z-15 0200z

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N80FS at:

<http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt> (Updated 08 December 2010)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal

"Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/

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QSL INFORMATION -

Operations approved for DXCC credit

9Q/DK3MO - Democratic Republic of the Congo; 2007 through the present

3C0C - Annobon; 2010 Operation

3C9B - Equatorial Guinea; 2010 Operation

3V9A - Tunisia; 2010 Operation

3V0A - Tunisia; 2010 Operation

TS7TI - Tunisia; Also includes /p operation; 2010 Operation

TS8P - Tunisia; Also includes /p operation; 2010 Operation

TS9A - Tunisia; 2010 Operation

CE9/VE3LYC, CE9/PA3EXX QSL Information -

QSL information January 7-22 2011

QSL ALL QSOs via VE3LYC as follows:

(1) Via Direct - Use ONE of the TWO options below:

(a) PayPal at least USD 4 (NA) and USD 5 (outside NA) to tiberius.trifu@gmail.com and email QSO data to ve3lyc@hotmail.com. No need to mail any cards or SAE.

(b) Mail QSO data with SAE and sufficient return postage to Cezar Trifu, 410 College St., Kingston, Ontario K7L 4M7, Canada. Requests with insufficient postage will be replied via the bureau.

DO NOT SUBMIT OTHER QSL REQUESTS WITH THOSE FOR SA-031 / SA-097, AS THEY

WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY REPLIED VIA THE BUREAU.

(2) Via Bureau - Send your request via the bureau to VE3LYC. Cards will be sent out based on ?first received, first replied? service.

QSLs via Bureau: CE6M, JW5LJA, TM5EL, T02HI, T04D and T05SM/P.

QSLs via Direct: 5V7TT (I2YSB), CE6TC (QRZ.com), EY7AD (QRZ.com), H74LEON (TI4SU), MU/DL2SBY (hc), OD5/DL6SN (D08LA), PJ4I (DL9USA), PJ7/K4UWH (hc), PJ7MF (IZ1MHY), T07ZG (DL7AFS), VP2V/N3DXX (KN5H), XW1B (E21EIC), YB?NFL (QRZ.com), YP2U (Y02NNA) and ZK30U.

QSLs via LoTW: 3B9/IZ4AKS, 3B9C, 3D2II, 405?A, 4Z5LA, 5V7TT, 6V7Z, 6W1RY, 7M4CDX, 8S?C, 9M8Z, A25SL, AA4V/VP9, AH2R, BD2RJ/2, C6AKX, CE3DNP, CE4CT, CN3A, CQ9T, CR3A, CT3KN, CU3EJ, CW5W, DV1JM, E79D, EA3GLB, EA5GTQ, EF8N, EF8R, EI3GC, ER?FE0, ES1BA, F5IN, F08RZ, FP/KV1J, GM6Z, GM7R, H7V, I3VJW, IR4M, J39BS, JW5X, K6Z, K9QC, KG4QW, KG6DX, KH2L, KH6ZM, KP4JRS, LA2AB, LN9Z, MW5B, N4UU, N5K0, N6TW, NI6T, NP3CW, OE4A, OH6M, OK1CF, OK5W, OX3XR, P33W, P4?L, P49X, P49Y, PI4COM, PZ5RA, R?FA, R1ANC, RA?FU, RK4PB, RK6FZ, RW9C, SJ2W, SP6JZD, T3?XG, T7?A, TM?HQ, TM2Y, T03GA, TR8CA, UA9WZ, V26B, VA7AM, VE3EJ, VE3NWA, VK4KW, VK6ANC, VP2EMR, VP5DX, VP5T, VP9/N1SV, VR2YYW, VU2PAI, VY?X [NA-208] (VE3LYC), W6PZ, W90A/9, XF1RCS, Y05BRZ, YW4D, YW5T, Z21BB, ZA3HA, ZC4LI, ZF1A, ZK2DL and ZS6EZ.

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LINKS -

IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/

SOTA (Summits On The Air) at: www.sota.org.uk/

WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wca.qrz.ru/ENG/main.html

WFF (World Flora & Fauna) at: wff44.com/

WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air) at: www.wlota.com/

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BITS & PIECES -

VQ9LA DEPARTURE

FYI,

24 Jan 2011 will be my departure date from VQ9 BIOT Diego Garcia. My plans are to operate as much as possible up to the last day, will try and put as much low band and RTTY on the air as possible before my departure date. All logs will be updated to LOTW, direct/buro QSL cards via N0QM will also be fine. Sending cards to my Diego address may or may not be lost in the mail due to the post office mishandling of mail.

After my departure from VQ9 will be living in the Philippines part of the year and USA part of the year. All QSL cards after Jan 2011 will be handled once I make it back to the states next year (May 2011).

Once the proper paperwork is filed with the RP Government I will operate a Elecraft K2 transceiver 40-10MTRS CW/RTTY. Low band ops will not be possible the first year due to small house. My call should be DU3/N0QM, QSL via N0QM and LOTW.

73 Larry VQ9LA

KH5 - JARVIS ISLAND, OC-081

DXpedition to Jarvis Island (OC-081) organized by Radio Expeditions Inc has been postponed until November 2011. During the first half of 2010 the US Fish Wildlife Service developed a draft "Compatibility Determination for Amateur Radio Operations at the Jarvis Island National Wildlife Refuge". This document contains the rules and constraints for DXpeditions at Jarvis and was made available on 21 Jun 2010 for public comments to arrive not later than 5 July.

The FWS Honolulu office staff reviewed the comments, made a number of changes and submitted a final draft for approval at their regional office in Portland, Oregon. The final version was released on 28 July and revised applications for a permit were accepted until 25 August. The constraints in the Compatibility Determination required a radical restructuring of Radio Expedition Inc's plans, reducing both the number of stations and the time on the air.

Since more than one amateur radio group submitted an application which met the requirements of the compatibility determination, a lottery among the qualified groups was held at the FWS Honolulu office by the refuge manager on 30 August. Radio Expeditions Inc was fortunate to be selected. However, due to the time required to establish the rules for amateur radio operations from Jarvis, the late selection date, and the lead time required to schedule and prepare the MV Braveheart, the expedition has been postponed one year. November remains the best month to visit Jarvis Island from a propagation standpoint, with the largest combination of openings predicted to Europe on both 160/80m and 12/10m. [DX Newsletter]

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ARLX008 NCVEC Releases New General Class Question Pool

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Special Bulletin 8 ARLX008
>From ARRL Headquarters
Newington CT December 7, 2010
To all radio amateurs

SB SPCL ARL ARLX008
ARLX008 NCVEC Releases New General Class Question Pool

The Question Pool Committee (QPC) of the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators (NCVEC) released the new General class (Element 3) question pool on Tuesday, December 7. This new question pool -- including graphics and diagrams -- will become effective for all General class examinations administered on or after July 1, 2011; it will remain valid until June 30, 2015. The current General question pool that became effective July 1, 2007 will expire June 30, 2011. The new General pool contains 457 questions, from which 35 are selected for an Element 3 examination. The current Technician class question pool that was effective July 1, 2010 is valid through June 30, 2014. The current Amateur Extra class pool that was effective July 1, 2008 is valid until June 30, 2012.

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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
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Join ICPO e-Group: <http://mailman.qth.net/mailman/listinfo/icpo>

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All Croatian Islands Award Group - ACIAG

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